

TARIFF BILL JAM IN SENATE DEFIES LEADERS' EFFORTS

Indications Are That Harding Will Be Forced to Call Early Extra Session.

LIVING COST AN ISSUE

Democrats Cling to Discussion of Measure to Embarrass Republicans.

PENROSE STILL HOPEFUL

Insists That Both Tariff and Supply Bills Can Pass Before Adjournment.

Special Despatch to THE NEW YORK HERALD.

Washington, Feb. 4.—The Senate is confronted to-night with the prospect that the major portion of the Government supply bills will fail and that Mr. Harding will be forced to call the extra session earlier than he had intended. The combined efforts of the Republican steering committees of the Senate and House, which met jointly to discuss the situation, failed to find a way out of the present legislative jam in the Senate, where the emergency tariff bill continues to be the obstacle in the way of final action on the appropriation bills. The steering committees will hold another meeting next week.

Some little headway was made on the tariff bill itself. The Senate adopted two important items in it—the increased tariff of 40 cents a bushel on wheat and likewise the higher duty on frozen meats. Democratic opponents bitterly contested these provisions, but the first was adopted by a vote of 38 to 28 and the second by a vote of 39 to 26.

But while this indicates that there is a majority of the Senate in favor of the bill, the Democrats still persist in blocking a final vote until "full discussion" can be had and will not consent to any unanimous consent agreement for final action. Two Republican Senators, Moses and Keres (N. H.), voted against the wheat tariff, while six Democratic Senators, Ashurst (Ariz.), Gay (La.), Jones (N. M.), McLean (Mont.), Randall (La.) and Sheppard (Tex.), voted for protection on wheat.

Cost of Living Real Issue.

Senator Moses also stated that if the Democrats did not object to unanimous consent agreement for a vote he would object, thus further complicating the situation.

Senator Lodge (Mass.) expressed the hope that some way might be found whereby the appropriation bills could be put through, but admitted that the steering committee had found no way to bring it about. It is known that at the committee meeting considerable emphasis was placed on the desire of President-elect Harding to have the supply bills passed.

Those who are leading the fight for the tariff bill insist that the supply bills can be passed also, and say it can be done by holding longer sessions during the day and beginning night sessions. This opinion is not shared by other Republicans, who would like to have the tariff bill give way temporarily for consideration of the supply bills.

There is a double reason for wanting to keep the tariff bill before the Senate. They want to embarrass the Republicans by insisting that they are passing a bill to increase the cost of living. The increased cost of living is a subject of broad appeal and is one on which they are ringing the changes constantly. The other reason is that they wish to defeat the minimum wage bill and some other bills on the calendar which they oppose.

Furthermore, they have the general purpose of wanting to make all possible trouble politically for their opponents in this session since their reduced majority in the next one will give them far less opportunity.

Both Can Pass, Says Penrose.

Several informal conferences took place between leading Republican Senators and Mr. Harding, who is slated for Attorney-General in the coming Cabinet. Mr. Daugherty frankly admitted that he wanted to give every possible encouragement to break the legislative deadlock saving the supply bills and thus avoid an early extra session. He left to-day for Columbus under the impression that the situation looked hopeless. He is to return next week to look over the situation again before returning to the Harding party in Florida.

Chairman Penrose of the Senate Finance Committee declines to admit that the supply bills will fail, and in a statement insisted that the emergency tariff and the supply bills can both pass. He also held out the hope that President Wilson would not veto the bill if it got through Congress, an intimation that Democratic Senators refuse to share.

"I expect the tariff bill to be acted on some time next week," said Senator Penrose. "It looks to me now as if that is the way the situation is developing." "Has anything happened to make you believe that the passage of the bill is so near?" the Senator was asked. "No, but the situation itself is developing in that way. The debate about the tariff is not a new thing, but I do not know that of my own knowledge, but the rumor is going the rounds. Practically all the amendments that the Senate has put in will be adopted. I do not know the sentiment of the House, but I take it there will be no difficulty in getting an agreement in conference. In fact I believe we can get the bill out of conference in half an hour. I believe the tariff will be adopted by the Senate and the probability is that the House will split."

PATENT COMMISSIONER NAMED.

Washington, Feb. 4.—President Wilson today sent to the Senate the nomination of Melvin H. Coulson of New York to be Commissioner of Patents.

Dawes' Testimony Will Be Expurgated

WASHINGTON, Feb. 4.—

Strict censorship will be exercised over the official prints of the testimony of Charles G. Dawes before a Congressional War Investigating Committee this week. All "hells," "damns" and stronger utterances, including even the frequent "hell" used by Gen. Pershing's former superior to express his feelings adequately, will be knocked out.

That was agreed on when the argument started, so Mr. Dawes, as he asked to be called, "let 'er go, regardless."

WAR SUPPLIES SALE SAVED U. S. BIG SUM

E. B. Parker Tells Lawmakers Delay Would Have Resulted in Lower Prices.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 4.—A staunch defense of the war accomplished by the American liquidation commission in disposing of millions of dollars of war supplies to France and other European governments after the armistice was made to-day by Edwin B. Parker, New York lawyer, former chairman of the board, in testifying before the House committee investigating the conduct of the war.

Mr. Parker declared the policy adopted in disposing of the great bulk of supplies in Europe unquestionably was wise, and cited figures to prove that if the same materials were on hand to-day they would not bring the prices, either in Europe or the United States, that the Government obtained when the bulk sales were made in 1919.

His examination was conducted principally by Representative Flood of Virginia, Democratic member of the committee, with occasional questioning by Chairman Johnson of South Dakota and Representative Bland of Indiana, the Republican members.

A discussion arose among the committee members over the question of calling other witnesses. Representative Flood insisted that Gen. Pershing be summoned to answer questions. Mr. Parker agreed that Mr. Flood should request the General to testify Monday, if he desired. The committee agreed also to end the investigation Wednesday.

Mr. Parker told the committee his commission disposed of stores netting the Government \$22,923,225, as compared with a cost value which he estimated at \$75,000,000. France bought stored goods at the amount of \$552,000,000, he said, and agreed in the contract to relieve the United States of all claims of damages, including those of \$50,000,000 property owners against the American army. He explained that the sale had the advantage also of relieving the United States of about \$150,000,000 customs duties, which would have been paid had the materials been sold to other European Governments.

The witness said Herbert Hoover bought a large quantity of the army supplies at the high prices it asked for them. He added that Mr. Hoover cancelled one big order of bacon, saying he could get it cheaper in the United States.

DAWES IS STANDING BY HIS WHOLE 'MOUTHFUL'

Hasn't a Damned Word to Retract, He Says.

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Chicago, Feb. 4.—"I have nothing to retract—not a damned word I said in Washington." This was said by Charles G. Dawes, former chief of supply procurement for the American Army in France, after his arrival home from Washington to-day.

Mr. Dawes declared emphatically that he was not in politics and that he does no care to be considered for any public office.

"But you have been picked by President-elect Harding to be—"

"I have you to pick up a paper in the last two months that I haven't read that I am to be almost anything from chief dogcatcher up," Mr. Dawes replied. "I am not in politics and am not to be considered for public office."

"Then you really don't care for a Cabinet job that—"

"Taking public office ties a man hand and foot," was the rejoinder, "and I do not care to tie myself to a man and foot."

Mr. Dawes was loath to talk about his testimony. When asked how his "square talk" answers he replied:

"I tell you, I don't know, and, furthermore, I don't care. I was satisfied they had injected politics into the hearing and I said a mouthful. I enjoyed it immensely and was glad to get it off my chest."

ASK CONGRESS TO CUT EXPENSES ONE BILLION

Automobile Men Suggest Measures of Economy.

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Chicago, Feb. 4.—Representatives of the automobile industry of the United States, gathered in Chicago for the twenty-first annual motor car show, voted to-day to ask Congress to slash \$1,000,000,000 out of the cost of running the Federal Government for next year.

Action was taken by the directors of the National Automobile Chamber of Commerce, which includes all the automobile manufacturers and allied industries in the United States.

It is of excess profits tax, reduction of surpluses on income taxes, putting the cost of the war on the coming generations, instead of the present generation, which bore the fearful burden of fighting it, are among the methods of economy suggested.

RECORDS EARTH SHOCK.

Seismograph Places Disturbance 2,200 Miles South of Washington.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 4.—A severe earthquake shock, which began at 3:38 and lasted until 4:45 this morning, was reported by Father Francis A. Tondorf, director of the Georgetown seismological observatory.

The disturbance was indicated by the instruments as being 2,200 miles south of Washington and reached its highest intensity at 3:38, Father Tondorf said.

The seismograph record indicated a disturbance even more severe than that recorded December 16 last, Father Tondorf said. The scene of the December disturbance was never definitely established.

Father Tondorf estimated that to-day's disturbance probably was in South America.

DEMOCRATS PRESS FOR CONFIRMATION

Accuse Republican Senators of Playing Politics With Appointments.

LODGE MAKES RETORT

Cites Roosevelt and Wood Cases as Treated by Administration.

Special Despatch to THE NEW YORK HERALD.

New York Herald Bureau, Washington, D. C., Feb. 4.

Another Democratic move to force confirmation of all President Wilson's nominations of army, navy and civil officers and employees was made in the Senate to-day, Senator Robinson (Ark.) vigorously criticized the Republican refusal to permit an executive session, which automatically would refer all nominations to the committee which consider them and would force either rejection or confirmation.

Senator Wadsworth (N. Y.) had asked unanimously to have army appointments below the rank of colonel sent to the Military Affairs Committee and to include also the nomination of Major-General Macgregor. The latter case was included because it appeared that unless his appointment is confirmed prior to March 4 he will lose his rank in the army.

The Senate Robinson made it the occasion for another denunciation of Republicans for not considering all appointments and said they were "playing politics."

Lodge made the counter charge that the present Administration had shown political favoritism by keeping Theodore Roosevelt out of France and in not sending Gen. Leonard Wood to the Philippines.

Senator Robinson said it was a "well known fact" that all officers had been sent to France who were asked for by Gen. Pershing, and that if Gen. Wood was not sent it was because he had not been wanted by Gen. Pershing. He said further the Roosevelt matter was not involved, because Col. Roosevelt was not an army officer.

The Arkansas Senator insisted that all nominations ought to have been received in executive session, referred to committees and passed upon instead of being held up at the end of the Administration.

"We ought at least to keep the army out of politics," he continued. "This Senate should do justice to the soldiers who, if justice were done, would be promoted in open session. It is expected that not considering these nominations at all. Reject them if you want to, but you should at least consider the names of officers who were named for promotion."

Senator Robinson did not object to the request of Senator Wadsworth, and it is probable that another large number of Senate army appointments will be confirmed in open session. It is expected that all political nominations, however, will be held up.

Wadsworth, a suburb, of \$40,000 in cash and \$50,000 in securities, were without definite clue late to-night after their whereabouts for their identity. A clerk in the bank, however, has given a good description of the men and the authorities believe they will be captured within a few days.

Entering the institution at noon, four of the bandits forced the clerks and two customers into the vault, took all the money and securities in sight and escaped with their four companions, who were waiting in an automobile at the curb outside. The car, bearing New York license No. 198,559, was driven later in this city near the Reading Railroad station, where it was said might be recovered for public use.

Several thousand dollars worth of Liberty bonds were left in the car. Three caps, the labels of which showed they were purchased in Detroit, Chicago and Milwaukee, also were in the machine.

The automobile abandoned by the robbers was stolen here Wednesday night from H. R. Baumbach, a contractor, who had been working on the bank with the door locked another closed guard outside. A customer, who stood near the bank, saw the bandits were at work, was ordered away by the outside guard. Not responding promptly, he was knocked down and badly bruised about the face. When he recovered from the blow the bandits had escaped.

The People's Trust Company, according to its last statement, has assets of \$1,200,000 and deposits of \$972,000. Its directors announced to-night they would make good the loss.

STREET SWEEPER CHIEF SOUGHT AS BANDIT

\$100,000 Robbery Charged to 'Big Tim' of Chicago.

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Chicago, Feb. 4.—Federal authorities, armed with a warrant, to-day hunted "Big Tim" Murphy, president of the Chicago Street Sweepers Union, who is charged by postal authorities with having participated in a \$100,000 mail robbery at Pullman, Ill.

Vincenzo Cosmano, business agent of the union, was arrested this afternoon on the same charge and taken to the county jail.

The robbery occurred last September. The money was in transit from the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago to the Pullman Company and was taken from the Pullman station at the point of pilferage.

After committing the robbery two bandits leaped into an automobile at 154th Street and escaped. Two employees at the Pullman station positively identified pictures of Cosmano and Murphy as two of the four men who staged the holdup.

Mrs. Rogers' husband was Dr. William R. Rogers, a physician and throat specialist who died at the age of 39, according to the widow's statement, he had himself inoculated three times with "influenza, serobacteria, a serum alleged to have been manufactured by the defendants. About four days after the third inoculation, the statement added, blood poisoning set in and he died ten days later.

His death, the statement of claims charges, was due to the negligence of the Mulford company in the preparation of the serum.

WILSONS FURNISHING HOUSE.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 4.—Three trucks loaded with furniture from President Wilson's former home in Trenton, N. J., arrived here to-day and are being unloaded at the home purchased by the President recently from Henry P. Fairbank.

Mrs. Bolling, mother of Mrs. Wilson, and I. H. Hoover, head usher at the White House, are supervising the placing of the furniture, more of which is expected to arrive in the next few days.

Bergdoll's Chasers Face Manslaughter Charge

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New York Herald Bureau, Berlin, Feb. 4.

THE two American detectives arrested at Erbach when trying to arrest Grover Cleveland Bergdoll, American draft evader and fugitive from justice, will be tried on the charge of attempted manslaughter, according to an announcement by the prosecuting attorney of Mosbach, Baden.

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The Department of Justice to-day was asked by Representative Julius Kahn (Cal.), chairman of the House Military Affairs Committee, for all the information in its possession regarding the case of Grover Bergdoll, draft dodger of Philadelphia, who recently bobbed up at Eberbach, Germany.

Mr. Kahn said his committee is anxious to obtain complete information regarding the contracts Bergdoll is said to have with lawyers to obtain his freedom and the draft dodger's charge that he was asked to pay \$100,000 for distribution in Washington to get his freedom.

The committee will examine evidence regarding the sensational escape of Bergdoll at Philadelphia from two army sergeants when he was released on the Department orders to hunt for a "pot of gold" which he falsely declared was buried in western Maryland.

The committee will investigate the Bergdoll case probably will start next Monday, Mr. Kahn said. He received word to-day from the United States District Attorney at Philadelphia that all the papers in the case were in his possession and that he would be glad to submit them to the committee. It is probable that the Federal attorney will be the first witness.

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SAYS HARDING IS FOR DISARMAMENT

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world soon will be invited to meet here and discuss steps toward disarmament," said Mr. Butler during the testimony of Rear Admiral William H. Sims on present naval problems.

In the initial bill of 1916, which, while authorizing a new construction program, gave to the President the right to call such a conference at any time he deemed advisable. Because of the war no action ever was taken.

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An unfavorable report against the proposed six months' suspension of the naval building programme has been prepared by a sub-committee of the Senate Naval Affairs Committee, and is scheduled for final action to-morrow by the full committee.

Senators Poincaré (Wash.), Lodge (Mass.), Republicans, and Smith (Md.), Democrats, who comprise the sub-committee, authorized the drafting of the report to-day after study of the opinion of the General Navy Board on the subject of the proposed six months' suspension and also the views of the capital ship is to be regarded as an efficient fighting arm of the navy.

The board opposed the suspension and went on record in favor of the efficiency of the capital ship. Both these opinions were approved by the sub-committee to-day and will receive almost unanimous approval by the full committee to-morrow.

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